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## Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

March 17, 2011

Charles M. Palmer, Director Department of Human Services Hoover State Office Building 1305 East Walnut, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0119

RE: State Plan Amendment (SPA) #10-022

Dear Mr. Palmer:

On December 28, 2010, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received lowa's state plan amendment (SPA) transmittal #10-022, which establishes a Non Emergency Medical Transportation Brokerage System. This SPA revises the information on Attachment 3.1-A, page 15 and Supplement 2 to Attachment 3.1-A, pages 33, 34, 35, 35b, 35c, 35d, 35e, 35f, 35g, and 35h.

Based upon our review, CMS is approving SPA 10-022 as of March 16, 2011, with an effective date of October 1, 2010, as requested by the State. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS 179 form as well as the approved pages for incorporation into the Iowa State plan.

I appreciate the significant amount of work that your staff dedicated to getting this SPA approved and the cooperative way in which we achieved this much-desired outcome. If you have any questions concerning this SPA, please contact me at (816)426-5925 or have your staff contact Rhonda Wells or Sharon Taggart at (816) 426-5925 or Rhonda.Wells@cms.hhs.gov

Sincerely,

/s/

James G. Scott Associate Regional Administrator for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

cc: Jennifer H. Vermeer